

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

MAY YANG, a minor, et al.,

CASE NO. CV-F-01-5437 REC LJO

Plaintiffs,

ORDER ON HANDLING PLAINTIFF
NHIASOU LO'S CERTIFICATE OF
NATURALIZATION

vs.

MAGEC ("MULTI-AGENCY GANG
ENFORCEMENT CONSORTIUM"); et al.

Defendants.

At the request of the parties' counsel, this Court conducted a December 19, 2005 telephone conference to address the handling of the certificate of naturalization of plaintiff Nhiasou Lo ("Mr. Lo") and which was seized during a search giving rise to allegations in this action. Defendants contend that the certificate of naturalization was seized because it appeared unauthentic. Mr. Lo contends that the certificate of naturalization is authentic and that he requires the original to procure life insurance. The parties have concerns over potential use of the certificate of naturalization should this action proceed to trial after the pending appeal.

On the basis of good cause, this Court:

1. ORDERS the custodian officer of the certificate of naturalization to verify with the appropriate federal agency whether the certificate of naturalization is authentic;
2. ORDERS the custodian officer of the certificate of naturalization to return the certificate of naturalization to Mr. Lo if the certificate of naturalization is not otherwise confiscated

as unauthentic;

3. ORDERS Mr. Lo not to mention or use the certificate of naturalization in any proceeding before this Court if Mr. Lo does not make the original certification of naturalization available to defendants; and

4. AUTHORIZES the photocopying of the certificate of naturalization and use of photocopies of the certificate of naturalization for purposes of this action only.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: December 19, 2005
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/s/ Lawrence J. O'Neill
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE